

Please delete in its entirety the ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE found on numbered page 1, and replace it with the following:

~~A remote power feed device for supplying a remote power feed to a terminal in a telecommunication network includes a~~ A first resistor ~~and is connected in parallel with a second resistor in parallel with the first resistor and having a lower resistance than the first resistor. It compares the~~ The voltage at the terminal of the first resistor is compared with a first threshold ~~voltage voltage,~~ and the voltage at the terminals of the second resistor is compared with a second threshold voltage. ~~It further includes a~~ A switching device ~~for either connecting connects~~ the first resistor in series in ~~the a~~ remote power feed circuit circuit, if the switching device detects that the remote power feed current is less than a third threshold current that is between the first and second threshold ~~currents currents,~~ or connecting connects the second resistor and the first ~~resistor resistor,~~ connected in ~~parallel parallel,~~ in series in the remote power feed circuit if the switching device detects that the remote power feed current is greater than the third threshold current. Applications include repeaters and concentrators for local area networks.